



## CENG 290 - Data Communications First Midterm Examination

1) Fill in the blanks with appropriate terms from the list:

1. We want to send a sequence of computer screen images over an optical fiber. The screen is  $480 \times 640$  pixels, each pixel being 24 bits. There are 60 screen images per second. Therefore we need a bandwidth of 442 \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ satellites permanently remain above the same spot on Earth.
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the distance between two routers divided by the propagation speed.
4. The \_\_\_\_\_ largely depends on the rate at which traffic arrives at the queue and the transmission rate of the link.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ concerns with transmitting raw bits over a communication channel.
6. If the intensity of a signal is reduced to 1/1000 of its previous value, we say it reduced by \_\_\_\_\_ dB.
7. The main task of the \_\_\_\_\_ is to transform a raw transmission facility into a line free of transmission errors.
8. In \_\_\_\_\_ networks, the resources needed along a path (buffers, link bandwidth) are reserved for the duration of communication session.
9. Telephones are \_\_\_\_\_ systems because both parties on the phone can talk and listen at the same time.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ is sending multiple signals or streams of information on a carrier at the same time in the form of a single, complex signal and then recovering the separate signals at the receiving end.

11. The most natural example of \_\_\_\_\_ is radio and television broadcasting, in which multiple radio signals at different frequencies pass through the air at the same time.
12. Telephone system of a neighborhood use \_\_\_\_\_ topology.
13. If you are moving as you use your cell phone, you may be transferred to another base station. This is called \_\_\_\_\_
14. Garage door openers, radio controlled toys etc. use \_\_\_\_\_ bands
15. The ratio of signal power to noise power is called \_\_\_\_\_ .

*half duplex, network layer, transmission delay, low - altitude, circuit switched, physical layer, time division multiplexing, star, bus, geostationary, full duplex, packet switched, propagation delay, queuing delay, data link layer, multiplexing, bandwidth, frequency-division multiplexing, 30, 100, 300, 1000, handoff, ISM(Industrial, Scientific, Medical), SNR, Mbps, kbps, Gbps.*

2) Consider sending a large file of  $F$  bits from Host 1 to Host 2. There are two links and one node between 1 and 2. Neglect propagation delays and queueing delays. Host 1 segments the file into segments of  $S$  bits and adds  $h$  bits of header to each segment. Assume  $F/S$  is an integer. Each link has a transmission rate of  $R$  bps. Find the end-to-end delay in sending the file.

3) Using CDMA encoding, users  $A, B, C, D$  each send a 2-bit message. Their codewords are:

$$Q_A = (1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1), \quad Q_B = (1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1), \quad Q_C = (1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1), \quad Q_D = (1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1)$$

and the combined signal is:  $(4 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ -2 \ 2 \ -2 \ -2)$

Decode their messages.

4) For the following set of codewords

$$(0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0), \quad (0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1), \quad (0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1), \quad (1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1)$$

a) Find the minimum Hamming distance.

b) What is the maximum number of errors we can detect?

c) What is the maximum number of errors we can correct?

5) A message 10110101 is transmitted using the CRC polynomial method. The generator polynomial is  $x^3 + 1$ .

a) What is the actual frame transmitted?

b) How many bits must be damaged for an error to be unrecognized?

6) A transmitted message is corrupted with probability  $p$ . We use error detection and retransmission. (Assume errors are always detected) What is the probability we need exactly two retransmissions?

# Answers

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1)

1. Mbps
2. geostationary
3. propagation delay
4. queuing delay
5. physical layer
6. 30
7. data link layer
8. circuit switched
9. full duplex
10. multiplexing
11. frequency-division multiplexing
12. star
13. handoff
14. ISM(Industrial, Scientific, Medical)
15. SNR

2)  $\frac{F}{S} \frac{S+h}{R} + \frac{S+h}{R}$

3)

A)  $(1\ 1\ 1\ 1) \cdot (4\ 0\ 0\ 0) = 4$ ,  $(1\ 1\ 1\ 1) \cdot (-2\ 2\ -2\ -2) = -4$   
 $\Rightarrow$  message: 10

B)  $(1\ 1\ -1\ -1) \cdot (4\ 0\ 0\ 0) = 4$ ,  $(1\ 1\ -1\ -1) \cdot (-2\ 2\ -2\ -2) = 4$   
 $\Rightarrow$  message: 11

C)  $(1\ -1\ 1\ -1) \cdot (4\ 0\ 0\ 0) = 4$ ,  $(1\ -1\ 1\ -1) \cdot (-2\ 2\ -2\ -2) = -4$   
 $\Rightarrow$  message: 10

D)  $(1\ -1\ -1\ 1) \cdot (4\ 0\ 0\ 0) = 4$ ,  $(1\ -1\ -1\ 1) \cdot (-2\ 2\ -2\ -2) = -4$   
 $\Rightarrow$  message: 10

- 4) a)  $d_{min} = 4$   
 b)  $4 - 1 = 3$  errors can be detected  
 c)  $(4 - 1)/2 = 1.5 \Rightarrow 1$  errors can be corrected

- 5) a) The message 10110101 is  $x^7 + x^5 + x^4 + x^2 + 1$  in polynomial representation. Degree of generator is 3, so multiply this polynomial by  $x^3$  to obtain

$$x^{10} + x^8 + x^7 + x^5 + x^3$$

Now divide this by  $x^3 + 1$ . The result is  $x^7 + x^5 + 1$ , the remainder is 1. Therefore the transmitted message is:

$$x^{10} + x^8 + x^7 + x^5 + x^3 + 1$$

or, equivalently:

10110101001

- b) The error must be equivalent to the generating polynomial. So we need a 4-bit burst error, with the first and last bits damaged.

- 6) First, corrupted. Second, corrupted. Third, arrives safely.

$$\Rightarrow p^2(1 - p)$$